UTILITY PATENT

Attorney Docket No. 2512/7

**Under Small Entity Status** (New Nonprovisional Applications Under 37 CFR § 1.53(b))

# TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Transmitted herewith is the patent application of inventor GARY M. SCHNEIDER entitled SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR

DEVELOPING A FARM MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR PRODUCTION AGRICULTURE, for a:				
( ) Original Patent Application.				
(x) Continuing Application (prior application not abandoned):  ( ) Continuation ( ) Divisional ( ) Continuation-in-part (CIP)  (x) Regular Filing of Provisional Application Serial No. 60/226,857 filed on August 22, 2000.  ( ) A statement claiming priority under 35 USC § 120 has been added to the specification.				
(x) Applicant claims small entity status.				
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<ul> <li>Incorporation by Reference. The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated herein by reference.</li> </ul>				
( ) Signed Statement Deleting Inventor(s) Named in the Prior Application. (37 CFR § 163(d)(2)).				
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(x) Other: Statement of Priority Claimed				

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Total Claims	52-20	32	\$9.00	\$	288.00
Independent Claims	3-3	0	\$40.00	\$	0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (if applicable)					0.00
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GARY M. SCHNEIDER	Examiner:
Serial No.	
Filed: August 21, 2001	Group Art Unit:
Title: System and Method for Developing a Farm Management Plan for Production Agriculture	

## STATEMENT OF PRIORITY CLAIMED

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicant claims priority to prior pending Provisional Application Serial No. 60/226,857, filed on August 22, 2000, entitled System For Developing Single Year Or Multi-Year Crop Selection, Acreage Allocation, And Resource Management Strategies For Production Agriculture.

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